



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 1022***

*January Session, 2003*

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO FUND ANTILITTER PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2003*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2       (1) "Eating establishment" means a place where meals are sold and  
3 includes a restaurant, cafeteria, grinder shop, pizzeria, drive-in, fast  
4 food outlet, ice cream truck, hot dog cart, refreshment stand, sandwich  
5 shop, private or social club, cocktail lounge, tavern, diner, snack bar or  
6 hotel or boarding house which furnishes both lodging and meals to its  
7 guests;
- 8       (2) "Litter" means any discarded, used or unconsumed substance or  
9 waste material, whether made of aluminum, glass, plastic, rubber,  
10 paper or other natural or synthetic material, or any combination  
11 thereof, including, but not limited to, any bottle, jar or can, or any top,  
12 cap or detachable tab of any bottle, jar or can, any unlighted cigarette,  
13 cigar, match or any flaming or glowing material or any garbage, trash,  
14 refuse, debris, rubbish, grass clippings or other lawn or garden waste,  
15 newspaper, magazines, glass, metal, plastic or paper containers or  
16 other packaging or construction material which has not been deposited  
17 in a litter receptacle; and
- 18       (3) "Meal" means food products which are sold and which are  
19 furnished, prepared or served in such a form and in such portions that

20 they are ready for immediate consumption, and includes food  
21 products which are actually packaged or wrapped.

22 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall establish a pilot  
23 program, for the fiscal years commencing July 1, 2003, July 1, 2004, and  
24 July 1, 2005, in the city of Hartford for the purpose of providing  
25 revenue to said city for expenses related to the removal or disposal of  
26 litter.

27 (c) For the period of the pilot program, the city of Hartford may  
28 impose a fee on each eating establishment where meals are sold for  
29 take out or on a to-go basis. Any funds received by the city of Hartford  
30 under this section shall be deposited in a special fund and used for  
31 expenses related to the removal or disposal of litter. Such funds shall  
32 not be used to supplant any local, state or federal funds otherwise  
33 available for removal or disposal of litter.

34 (d) The city of Hartford shall submit an interim report on the pilot  
35 program to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
36 having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development  
37 not later than June 30, 2004, and a final report not later than January 1,  
38 2005.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2003

**PD** Joint Favorable Subst.

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